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Thx.

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On Sep 21, 2016, at 9:31 PM, William Gibbons (wgibbons) <wgibbons@memphis.edu> wrote:

Well, I agree with you ! And we don't need to overreact.

Sent from my iPad

On Sep 21, 2016, at 9:21 PM, Adams, Ben C. <badams@bakerdonelson.com> wrote:

Happy to discuss but waters approach and the BLM movement is missing the forest through the trees. Those screw ups, albeit awful, are a drop in the bucket to black on black violent crime which is highly disproportionate. As long as black on black violent crime is so disproportionately high, the screw ups will continue because the intensity and stakes for police are so high. This movement just emboldens the bad guys and chills police. That said, training is necessary, aggressive stop and frisk is wrong, driving or walking while black so to speak is terrible. When police are outrageous, punish them. When it is a good faith judgment call, protect them. I appreciate we need to be balanced but your reference in plan to Obama plan

address that too.

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On Sep 21, 2016, at 8:37 PM, Blair Taylor <btaylor@memphistomorrow.org> wrote:

Can we have a discussion before our board meeting about our position on including something --training for mpd and sheriff is likely the specific item that already fits out plan- to explicitly address bias-driven police action? OSC will be much stronger and much better received by black community if we address this head on and proactively.

Blair Taylor

Sent from my iPhone

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